General Thomas R. Phillips
St. Louis Post Dispatch
1028 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Tom:

Stan Grogan tells me that you telephoned the other day in connection with President-elect Kennedy's request that I stay on in my present position. I very much appreciate your thoughtfulness in this expression of support.

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With best wishes for the holiday season,

Faithfully yours,

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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Dear Tom:

Stan Grogan tells me that you telephoned the other day in connection with President-elect Kennedy's request that I stay on in my present position. I very much appreciate your thoughtfulness in this expression of support.

I gather from Stan you were also a bit put out about the "U-2 Story" broadcast by NBC last November 29th. I too was sorry to see that you had had anything to do with this production. When I was approached some months ago with a request that I participate in the program, I declined and informed the people who were planning to put it on that I sould see no point in the production, and I thought they were doing a disservice to the country in rehashing this matter at this time.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

- 1. This memorandum is for information only.
- 2. General Tom Phillips telephoned today to offer you his congratulations upon your continuing as Director of CIA. He is delighted not only
  that you are continuing, but also that this establishes a policy of not
  changing the head of CIA when a new President is elected.
- 3. Phillips is quite put out about "The U-2 Story" by MBC on Tuesday.

  29 November 1960. He said NBC paid him some \$300 and spent six hours at his house where they had a general discussion of the U-2 and he had about a minute and a half on the air, merely touching on what he had said on the elements of the cover statement. He didn't know how much of the conversation they recorded would be used. He didn't like the presentation, particularly since it was pegged on two points:
  - (1) Make the Eisenhower Administration look bad.
  - (2) Make America look bad because of the inept hamiling of the cover story.
- 4. He hopes that you don't think that he participated knowing that the overall handling of the subject was to be anchored to those two points. He said it wasn't worth \$300 to him to have participated in such a sorry picture.

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	STANLEY J. GROGAN			
	Assistant to the Director			

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